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## **NEW YORK TROUT SALES INCREASE**

New York trout producers sold a total of 80,000 pounds of trout valued at \$401,000 during the 12 months ending December 31, 2010, according to King Whetstone, Director of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, New York Field office. Total production pounds, including all size categories, was up 11 percent from a year ago while total sales were 4 percent above last year.

The 2010 output included 56,000 pounds of trout 12" or longer averaging \$4.45 per pound in value, 23,000 pounds of 6" to 12" trout averaging \$5.50 per pound, and 1,000 pounds of 1" to 6" trout averaging \$626.00 per 1,000 fish.

Trout 12" or longer averaged 1.1 pounds in weight, while 6" to 12" trout averaged 0.3 pounds. Total weight of trout 12" or longer sold was up 30 percent from 2009. Total weight of 6" to 12" trout was down 12 percent.

The total value of fish sales received by trout growers in the United States totaled 71.3 million dollars for 2010, a decrease of 5 percent from 2009. Idaho accounted for 49 percent of the total value of fish sold. The number of trout 12 inches and longer sold during 2010 totaled 38.7 million fish, down 5 percent from the previous year. The average price per pound was \$1.39, up 1 cent from 2009. The value of sales for the 2010 marketing year was 63.1 million dollars, down 6 percent from 2009. For trout 12 inches or longer, 64 percent were sold to processors and 17 percent were sold for recreational stocking. The number of 6"- 12" trout sold during 2010 totaled 5.27 million fish, a decrease of 5 percent from 2009. The average price per pound was \$3.14 during 2010, up 26 cents from the 2009 price. The total value of sales was 6.34 million dollars during 2010, a 4 percent decrease from the previous year. The major sales outlets for 6"-12" trout were for recreational stocking accounting for 50 percent of total sales, followed by wholesale to other producers with 22 percent. The number of 1"- 6" trout sold during 2010 totaled 8.78 million, a 26 percent increase from the previous year. The average value per 1,000 fish was \$218 during 2010, down from \$232 in 2009. The total value of sales was 1.92 million dollars, up 18 percent from last year's total.

Trout distributed for restoration, conservation, and recreational purposes, primarily by State and Federal hatcheries, included 8.3 million 12" or longer fish, 65.0 million 6"- 12" fish, and 80.7 million 1"- 6" fish. The estimated value of fish distributed totaled 104.2 million dollars, up 4 percent from 2009.

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